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MEXICAN NATIONAL SENTENCED TO 5 YEARS, 4 MONTHS FOR ALIEN REENTRY

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that JAVIER ESTRADA-RODRIGUEZ, 27, Mexico, was sentenced to 64 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge David F. Hamilton following his guilty plea to alien reentry subsequent to being deported after a conviction for an aggravated felony. This case was the result of a investigation by the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

On October 1, 2002, the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (formerly Immigration and Naturalization Service) discovered ESTRADA-RODRIGUEZ in the Hamilton County jail booked under the name Daniel Pineda. Through a subsequent investigation, law enforcement discovered ESTRADA-RODRIGUEZ had suffered a

conviction for involuntary manslaughter from Cook County, Illinois in March 1997, and had been deported in May 1998 after serving a term of imprisonment. Upon his deportation in 1998, ESTRADA-RODRIGUEZ was banned from reentering the United States ever again without the permission of the Attorney General. After ESTRADA-RODRIGUEZ illegally reentered the United States, he returned to the Indianapolis area where he was charged with and has been convicted of dealing narcotics from Hamilton County. ESTRADA-RODRIGUEZ will serve a term of imprisonment for the Hamilton County narcotics charges, and his 64 month federal sentence will run consecutive.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who prosecuted the case for the government, ESTRADA-RODRIGUEZ was not fined. He will be deported after serving his term of imprisonment on the federal sentence.

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